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Ref: 1708-21147

Honorable Philip N. Asprodites
Commissioner of Conservation
Post Office Box 94275
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

Re: Hearing Application
Marg Tex 3 Zone, Reservoir K
LELEUX FIELD
Vermilion Parish, Louisiana
Applicant: Edge Petroleum Operating Co., Inc.

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, application is hereby made on behalf of **Edge Petroleum Operating Co., Inc.** for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Marg Tex 3 Zone, Reservoir K in the Leleux Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.

1. To create a single drilling and production unit of approximately 700 acres designated as the MT 3 RK SUA, Leleux Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, all as shown more particularly on the attached plat;
2. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the said unit;
3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;
4. To consider such other matters relating to the subject reservoir as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the public hearing.

The Marg Tex 3 Zone, Reservoir K in the Leleux Field, is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing zone encountered between the measured depths of 16,400 feet and 17,645 feet (electrical log measurements) in the LL&E-Landry No. 1 Well, located in Section 24, Township 11 South, Range 1 West, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.

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In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, the Commissioner of Conservation, the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation and all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties known to the applicant after a reasonable search were notified in writing in the pre-application notice dated August 9, 2001 that a conference to discuss the proposed application was tentatively scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Friday, August 31, 2001. It was stated at that time that this conference would be held only if a request to confer were received by the undersigned within ten (10) calendar days after the date of the pre-application notice. No requests to confer were received either in writing or by telephone and, in accordance with the Rules of Procedure, the tentatively scheduled conference **WILL NOT BE HELD**.

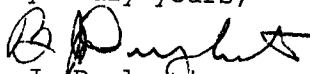
Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the MT 3 RK SUA, Leleux Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, and a list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties to whom this notice is being sent. It is hereby certified that a reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties.

A copy of the list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties is not being mailed to those parties along with this hearing application. Should any such party desire a copy of this list, however, we will be glad to provide one upon request.

Any pertinent data relating to the proposed unit can be obtained, AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY, from Bill Robbins of W. H. Robbins & Associates, Inc., 140 Rue Bearegard, Suite 100, Lafayette, Louisiana 70508 (337) 232-5004.

Finally, there is enclosed herewith our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of \$700.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,


B. J. Duplantis

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Attachments

cc: Mr. Richard Hudson, District Manager
Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners, Represented Parties and
Interested Parties

